

News from Design, Construction & Compliance

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Building Codes

There have been some questions about the use of the 2018 ICC codes, so some clarifications are listed below.

- If the design started before August 1, 2018, you may continue to use the 2012 ICC codes and referenced codes listed. It is not our intent to make the transition difficult or to make more work for your firm.
- If your contract was written using the 2012 ICC Codes and referenced codes, and it is advantageous to switch to the 2018 codes, you will need to request that change with this office. The Office of the State Fire Marshal will have to approve that change as well. Since your contract reflects the codes you are to work with, your contract will be amended to reflect this change.
- ICC has books outlining the changes from one code to the next. You may have to buy two books, one from the 2012 to 2015 and 2015 to 2018. They are available at <https://shop.iccsafe.org/>.
- OFPM does not plan any training at this time.

New Inspectors

As many of you know, we have hired a few new building inspectors recently. [Click here](#) for the area map and the designated inspectors for each area.

James Engman was hired to replace Craig Bybee in Area 3 of south east Kansas includes Wichita and Pittsburg. Jim was an inspector for the city of Independence for several years. He began his duties in December 2017.

Steven Kesi joined OFPM in late July 2018. He worked in the construction industry for 25+ years. Steven is the primary inspector for Area 2 which includes Manhattan and Salina and the north central region of Kansas. He replaces Charlie Hamilton.

Manual Updates

The following will be added to the next manual update in July 2019 but is effective immediately. It will be added to Part A – Chapter 6 – Bidding through OFPM Plan Room in section 8.6.

- 8.6.6 If an original specification Section is revised and reincorporated in its entirety by addendum, then the specification header shall identify the specification as “Revised Section by Addendum No. ___ “

(Example) SECTION 052100 - STEEL JOIST FRAMING - Revised Section by Addendum No. 2

- 8.6.7 If a new specification Section is incorporated in its entirety by addendum, then the specification header shall identify the specification as “New Section by Addendum No. ___ “

(Example) SECTION 052100 - STEEL JOIST FRAMING - New Section by Addendum No. 2